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**AMENDMENT**

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed June 30, 2004 in the above-captioned application. This Amendment is filed with a Petition and Fee for an Extension of Time for a period of three (3) months. With this Extension of Time, the Amendment will be due on December 30, 2004, which is within the six-month statutory period.

Appl. No. 09/585,820  
Amdt. Dated December 22, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of June 30, 2004

The following amendments are made pursuant to the requirements of Revised Amendment Practice, 37 CFR 1.121 - Final Rule effective July 30, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.